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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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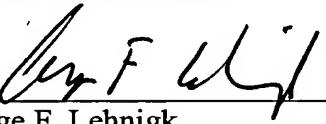
Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated December 14, 2005.

In the reasons for allowance for claims 1-5, 7-14, 27 and 28, the Examiner recites language found in claim 1. However, this language does not accurately reflect the language in independent claims 27 and 28. For example, at least "system" is not recited in claims 27 and 28. In addition, claim 28 does not recite at least "a profile," "at least one plate," and "a first and second profile web."

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that each claim is patentable based on its own language and not based on any paraphrasing or addition of language that may have been made by the Examiner.

Patent Office personnel are requested to note that the present submission does not adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. As emphasized in the "Clarification of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(c)(10) – Reduction of Patent Term Adjustment for Certain Types of Papers Filed After a Notice of Allowance Has Been Mailed," 1247OG111 (6/26/01), "a response to the examiner's reasons for allowance" is an example of a paper that does "not cause substantial interference and delay in the patent issue process" and is "not considered a 'failure to engage in reasonable efforts' to conclude processing or examination of the application." Therefore, the Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment set forth on page 3 of the Notice of Allowance dated December 14, 2005.

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